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### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

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Madge Kennedy—Idlehour Sunday—adv.  
"Checkers"—Idlehour Monday and Tuesday.—adv.

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J. P. Wierman of Breckenridge was here on business Friday.

Henry Kenneth of North Star was in Alma on business Saturday.

533-2R. That's my number from now on. Downer, "The Furnace Man." 32-1f-c

Verne Richards of Ann Arbor spent the week end in this city visiting with friends.

Dr. E. G. Sluyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones. 57-1f

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tron and Mrs. Geo. Huntton of Breckenridge were Alma visitors Friday.

W. C. Greene and H. H. Kuhn were in Detroit last week attending the Detroit Automobile Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kirby have left for Campsack, Sask., where they will make their future home.

The Woman's Club will meet at Wright Hall Monday, March 1st at 2:45 p. m. Election of officers.

C. F. Brown of Mt. Pleasant, former Alma resident, and proprietor of The Alma Record, visited with local friends Saturday.

The Royal Neighbors Sewing Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Sam Dietz, 126 Rockingham Ave., Wednesday, March 3.

Rev. Poston of the Church of Christ is in St. Louis where he is conducting a three weeks' series of services for the Church of Christ in that city.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. Marsh, Mrs. Wm. Ward and Miss Vivian Ward of Breckenridge were Alma visitors Friday.

The Ladies' Guild of the St. John's Episcopal church will hold its monthly meeting with Mrs. John Sullivan, 426 Walnut St., Tuesday, March 2.

T. A. Robinson of New York spent the week end in this city visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robinson, while enroute to Chicago on business.

Miss Beatrice Howell has resigned her position at the Republic Motor Truck Company and has gone to Big Rapids where she will enter Ferris Institute.

Dorothy Jackson is suffering from an attack of scarlet fever. In order that he may continue his work Dr. Jackson is staying with Dr. Carney until the quarantine is removed.

Mrs. Montague's division of the ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a baked goods sale at Ellison's grocery, Saturday p. m., February 28. Please bring mite boxes.—adv.

Victor Crittenden of the Alma College basketball team, who has been ill for the past week, left for his home Sunday. It is expected that he will return to Alma within the next few days.

The W. B. A. Ladies will hold a card party next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Paley, 1019 Michigan avenue East. All members are cordially invited to come and bring their friends.

A. L. Struble has resigned his position at The Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., and has gone to Mt. Pleasant where he has accepted a similar position with The Transport Truck Company.

Walter Tomlin has been elected president of the sophomore class of Alma College to succeed Sinclair Tebo who was forced to leave college for the balance of the year, because of the illness of his mother.

Owing to the danger of meetings under present conditions the officers of the Civic Improvement League wish to announce that the regular meeting on the first Friday of March is postponed till further notice.

Sinclair Tebo, captain of the Alma College basketball team, left for his home in Detroit last week. Since then word has been received from him to the effect that he will not be able to return to college this year.

Lew Fyfe, umpire in the Michigan-Ontario league last year, and who also held the indicator in many a Republic game here, was in Alma Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

Fyfe was sold last fall by the Mint league to the National league to which he will report early in April.

In a preliminary to the Adrian-Alma College game Saturday evening, the local American Legion basketball quintet defeated the high school five by a score of 29 to 17.

The Legionnaires were somewhat crippled for the game, but even then proved their superiority over the high school five.

The W. B. A. Ladies held their regular meeting at the K. of P. hall on Monday evening. Mrs. Ida Belmont of aSginaw, deputy of this district, was present and initiation of new members was the event of the evening.

March 8th is the next regular meeting and initiation will follow the regular meeting.

Professor Roy Hamilton of Alma College was the speaker at the meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Club meeting at the Washington School Friday afternoon. Professor Hamilton took for the subject of his address, "Slang and its Relation to the English Language." The address, which was very interesting, was listened to attentively by the members of the club.

The Community Circle has been organized to do the work of the Alma Benevolent Circle now discontinued. A welcome is extended to every woman of Alma to meet in the basement of the Methodist church Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Discarded garments are solicited so they can be remade into useful garments for the needy of the city. Leave them with Mrs. Tom Smith, president of the Circle, Park avenue, or at the M. E. church.

### THE CHURCHES

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Rev. John A. Mulvey, Pastor.  
Holy masses as follows: First and third Sundays of each month, at 8:30 and 10:30 a. m. Second and fourth Sundays at 10:30 a. m. On week days masses at 7:00 and 7:30 a. m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist  
511 N. Park ave.  
Subject—"Christ Jesus."  
Sunday school—9:30 a. m.  
Lesson: Sermon, 10:30.  
Wednesday testimony meeting at 8:00 o'clock.

Reading room located at 113½ W. Superior St., is open daily except Sunday from 2:30 to 5 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to the services and to the Reading Room.

St. John's Episcopal Church  
Rev. J. Frank Jackson, Pastor  
Morning Prayer—10:00 a. m.  
Sunday School—11:30 a. m.  
Evening prayer—7:00 p. m.

Free Methodist Church  
Sunday Services—  
Corner West Center and Cedar Ave.  
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.  
Preaching—11 a. m. and 7 p. m.  
Thursday evening prayer meeting—7 p. m.

Peter White, Pastor, 222 Philadelphia avenue.

Presbyterian Church.  
Cor. of Prospect and West Superior  
Rev. Willis L. Gelston, minister  
10 a. m. Sunday school.

Commencing Sunday a special class will be taught at this hour by the pastor to consist of all of those who desire to know what it means to be a Christian and what the duties of church membership are. Any desiring such instruction are welcome. The names should be given to the pastor at once.

11 a. m.—Morning worship.  
Theme—"The Duty of Watchmen."

This will be a second message preparatory to the "Go to Church" campaign to occupy the attention of the whole city next month.

3 p. m.—Junior Christian Endeavor.  
6 p. m.—Y. P. S. C. E.

Topic—"The Results of Our Words and Deeds." Gal. 6:7-10.  
7 p. m.—Evening worship. Theme: "Lost and Found." This service will be evangelistic in its nature. Hearty congregational singing and special music under the leadership of Prof. Royer are special features.

A call to prayer at some convenient time every Saturday evening asking God's blessing on all the "Go to Church" campaign, is issued to all Christian people.

St. Johns Lutheran Church  
Rev. C. W. Waidlich, Pastor, St. Louis, Mich.  
During this Lenten season let us all make an earnest effort to attend each service. Services every Sunday, beginning at 11:15 a. m.

Bible hour every Wednesday evening between 7 and 8 o'clock. During Lent each Bible hour will be opened with a short Lenten devotional.

You are cordially and earnestly invited to all these services.

### DAVIS DISTRICT

School has been closed at the Davis district for two weeks on account of so much sickness.

Mrs. Ethel Emory began her school in the Ely district Monday after a ten days' vacation.

Fay Palmer is seriously ill with pneumonia, while Mrs. Palmer is recovering from a severe attack of influenza.

Walter Clark of North Plains visited friends over Sunday.

Everett Barnhill and wife have moved in with S. Witherell and will work the farm the coming season.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean of Chicago have moved on the J. L. Miller farm, which they have rented.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Merchant, Floyd Merchant and family were Sunday visitors at John Baker's.

George Guernsey died at the home of his son in Detroit, where he has been for some time taking treatment. The remains were taken to Pewamo for burial.

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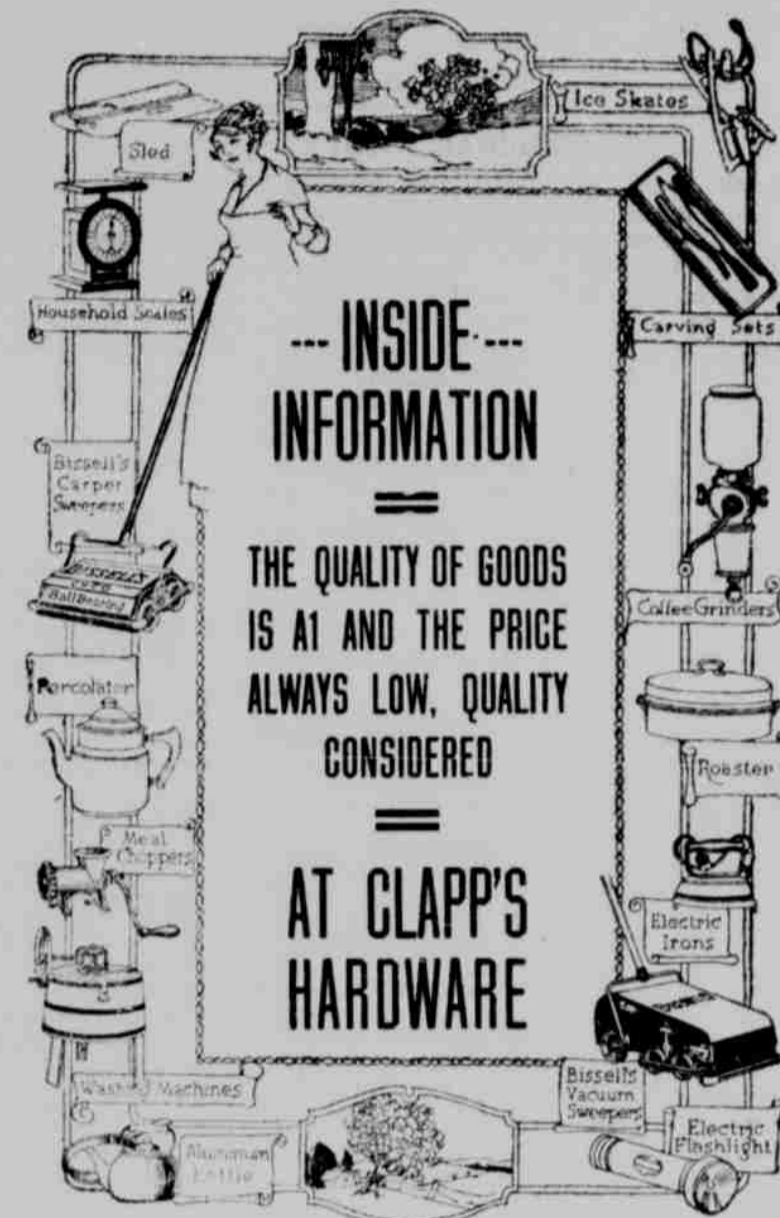
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